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tempted to kiss  
the girls

Cogden Utah

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Miss N. E. Crockett

My Dear friend  
here I am again tonight writing you I  
did not get to post your letter today  
and thought I would write again I will  
describe our travels to day. We left Mr  
Cooks, this morning came to Cogden  
on our way I stoped and called on a  
friend in River Dale we got here about  
noon. The first place we went to was the  
P.O. to get our mails of course we got some  
and mine upset me entirely It caused  
me to russell around all day and completed  
nothing and here I am tonight in my  
little room writing to you. Mr. J. L. is  
writing to I am enjoying my trip very much  
only wish you were a long. I met Miss  
Minnie Young this evening I think have a nice  
place

It has been my lot to meet many young  
people on this trip, every body seems to be  
agreeable and friendly. People are more sociable  
here than up there. There is a different atmos-  
phere in society, to what it is up there

Will Nora did you get the book?  
The other one will get there by Christmas if  
all is well. I sent for it to day Mr Parson's  
did not have any on hand.

Would you like any more if so let me  
know. I will go to St. City the last of  
this week. I am expecting to see a  
Chicago fellow soon I can't tell where  
I will spend my Christmas yet there  
seems to be a dissatisfactio—some  
where between fellows and it must be  
settled before I come back. They claim  
that I owe them \$100. which I do not  
I can not afford to pay them—I guess it  
will come round all right. You may add. here  
until Mon. after send to S.C.

Yours Truly

V. A. Rea



Twelve O'clock

and just returned from a dance. On finishing the other note I felt tired & Frank & I went for a walk first taking in the rink then the Catholic fair, and last of all the dance. I did not dance but looked at others. & made masks. I am still in the old channel - can't help it, but never mind I will return heart whole to see you it is not my fault. I have not seen my friends for some time and they all seem glad to meet me. Frank is enjoying himself very much he had a good time to night. There are some good skaters & dancers here. The Pro. got very mad to night because some could not dance

There are some that cannot dance as well  
as myself. but they are few compared  
with the rest.

Will Nora of all of my fun to night  
I feel sad. Every since I left Logan  
that evil foreboding seems to loom up  
and say with unaudible words you will  
never be united. It makes me feel very sad  
indeed. My path seems to wind among  
treacherous grounds and sin<sup>ful</sup> temptations  
assail me on every hand. Oh! if I could  
once get settled I know I would be happy  
but while I am ~~the~~ traveling round I  
see no chance but to drift in with the world  
and make the best of it. God I am and  
the my manhood is called to its  
greatest tentio<sup>n</sup>. but I think I can stand  
them all and win in the end.

I will close. lest I weary your pa-  
tient. Nora Write often it will do me  
good more than any thing else I will  
sign

Yours with Love

W. A. Kear